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## Alabama Power Official To Direct Cancer Drive

BIRMINGHAM—Alabama will make its biggest fight against cancer in the months ahead, and the state-wide drive in April for funds to finance it will be led by E. G. Easter, vice-president of the Alabama Power Company.

Mr. Easter, whose home is in Birmingham, is the 1950 State Campaign Chairman for the Alabama Division of the American Cancer Society. He was selected by a special committee composed of P. O. Davis, State Director of the Agricultural Extension Service; Fred Duran, vice-president of the United Bank and Trust Company, Montgomery; and J. C. McGough, Probate Judge of Fayette County.

Alabama already is waging one of the most intensive cancer control programs in the United States, Mr. Davis, who is director of the committee, pointed out, and funds will be raised in the April drive to extend even more.

"One out of every six persons alive in Alabama today is a life-and-death struggle with cancer," Mr. Davis said, "because that is the number cancer will strike one time during their lives—one in six."

"But the cancer fight has made greater gains the last five years than ever before. The percentage of cancer cases cured has doubled since 1945. More cures in April will mean still greater success."

Mr. Easter will set up a fund-raising group, headed by a volunteer chairman in every county in the state. The money will be used to finance the cancer research, cancer education and cancer service programs.

"It's A DATE" (Continued from page 1)  
age old question of which season month and day is best to choose for a wedding date. A young couple, Ginger Jones, played by Joan Clark, and Jo Jo Brown, an ex all American football player who was portrayed by Homer Hickam, cannot decide on a date for their marriage.

"They seriously discuss each month, and finally decide on the 13th, which is a date which is a combination of luck and suspense, surprises the audience attending at times assumes the role of spectators and other times they are asked to participate in the program. This is a new technique in home talent, as it combines the popular version of radio shows where those being entertained have an opportunity to become entertainers and prize winners."

Professor Kermit G. Crook will impersonate Mr. I. Got Rocks, president of Dear Old Booia Booia College. In a homecoming scene he makes speeches and gives prizes to the students attending the mass meeting and per rally to back the scene. Cheerleaders, rah rah back for homecoming, are a special group of college coeds will entertain this scene.

There is a minstrel show in which Doctor Reynolds, as an interpreter. Appearing in the program.

H. D. TILMAN, Elba, Alabama

FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Representative in the State Legislature from Coffee County, subject to the Democratic primary elections May 2 and May 30, 1950. Your vote and influence will be highly appreciated.

MARY O. CARNLEY PURVIS, Enterprise, Ala.

## Baby Contest Put On With Play

A Tiny Tot Popularity Contest is being held in connection with the play "It's A Date" sponsored by the American Legion for the benefit of the Parent Teachers Association Recreation Program. Entrants of this contest are up to six years of age.

Pictures of all children are on display in the store window of Elba Mercantile Co. Mrs. Charles Lindsey is responsible for the handsome window decorations achieved with the cooperation of Mr. E. B. Gwyn, manager of the Federated Store. A list of the standings of the contestants is posted in the window each day. Winners will be crowned king and queen, prince and princess, and duke and duchess of Toy-

land of the stage show "It's A Date" Friday, March 17, at which time prizes will be awarded. Prizes are now on display with the pictures.

Mrs. I. Dorman is chairman of the contest committee, assisted by Mrs. Maxwell Reeves. Votes are one cent each and voting jars are placed in the stores of the leading merchants of Elba.

For information about entering your child in this Tiny Tot popularity contest, consult Mrs. I. Dorman, Mrs. Maxwell Reeves, Mrs. K. M. Bentley, president of the Parent Teachers Association who is acting as co-director with Miss Mildred Lamson of New York City, who is in Elba to direct the show, or Miss Lamson.

The contest closes Friday, March 17 at 4:00 P. M.

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## About People and Things

By C. B. McEwell

### Quick Service

A. G. Jones, tax expert, has been exceedingly busy the past few days helping taxpayers with their forms. In some cases he has found it necessary to ask for an extension of time to get the reports ready. He said he wired Tuesday morning for six extensions and received a reply Wednesday morning granting his request. Uncle Sam's tax men are getting on the ball and giving service, it seems.

### Only A Filler

Ott Williams said he couldn't understand how the Circle Arrows could run away with the independent basketball tournament without him, but they did. He said, however, that he never was much of a basketball player but was only a filler, like the stuff they put in fertilizer.

### To See Son Graduate

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### Youth Police Up To Full Strength

Policeman Alec Strickland has recruited his schoolboy police squad up to full strength. Three additional boys have been appointed each afternoon and morning, before and after school, they are patrolling the dangerous corners of streets leading to the school buildings. Their duties are to direct traffic and tag numbers and report speedsters and other traffic violators. They also assist pedestrians in crossing the streets.

The additional boys are Jack Parker, Bert English and Harry Swain. The three boys who have been serving for some time, the said recent rains have caused the water to rise rapidly, and if we get a few more good rains the pond will be pretty well filled up.

Bob Folson says it makes him happy when it rains these days, as he knows it is filling up the pond. Doctor Reynolds, as an interpreter. Appearing in the program.

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### Baseball Fans Asked To Meet At City Hall Friday Night At 7:00

Baseball fans who are interested in having a team in Elba this season are invited to attend a meeting at the city hall Friday night at 7:00 o'clock. All players who are interested in playing are especially urged to be present. Organization plans and other necessary matters will be discussed.

### Lions And PTA To Purchase Drain Pipe

At a meeting of the Elba Lions Club Tuesday night the Lions and PTA agreed to purchase approximately 350 of 36-inch pipe and 150 feet of 18 inch pipe. The large pipe is to be installed in the large drainage ditch between the school house and the athletic field. The State Highway Department is hauling approximately 500 large dump loads of dirt to fill up the ditch and level the ground, thus making a level field the entire width.

The smaller pipe will be utilized in installing the much needed drainage in other parts of the grounds. The pipe is quite expensive, but it will provide ample space for the elaborate improvements planned for the school grounds. It will afford adequate parking space for large crowds at the athletic field as well as room for the recreational program of the PTA.

The help received from the state has been a big aid in securing the much needed improvement and the Lions Club and PTA hope to receive liberal assistance from all public spirited citizens.

### "Prince Of Peace" Is Movie Version Of Passion Play

The Lavton Story of "The Prince of Peace" is actually two stories in one. The picture is based on the life of the famous Little Minister, Rev. A. Mark Wallock of Lawton, Okla., and his world-famous Easter pageant which has become America's greatest Passion Play. A full year in filming, the producers have tried the impossible and accomplished the unusual by casting professional Hollywood actors and actresses into certain of the story's parts and surrounding them with a cast of more than 3,000 strict amateurs—citizens of Lawton, Okla.—who handle the Biblical roles with sheer perfection and amazing sincerity.

"The Prince of Peace" is top screen fare for Christian people men, women and children who want to learn more of the life of Jesus Christ. It incorporates 53 tableaux from the New Testament in providing the screen's first great treatment of "The Passion Play."

The Story of Jesus is enacted with such simplicity and vividness that the audience learns from tiny tots to aging ministers everyone in the audience learns more of the Greatest Story Ever Told. Visual education is at its best in "The Prince of Peace."

The actual scenes of the Life of Christ are breath-taking. Not a single professional actor is included in the pageant. Every part is taken by a native Oklahoman, coached and rehearsed by the producers. The sincerity and genuineness of their portrayals has resulted in a story of the life of the Great Man of Galilee.

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### Circle Arrows Win Indpt. Tournament Held In Florida

The Western Auto Circle Arrows, Elba's strong independent basketball team, covered itself with glory by winning first place in the tournament held in the Florida armory March 9-10-11. Fifteen of the strongest teams in South Alabama and North-West Florida competed. The games were well attended and closely contested.

The teams participating were: Milton of All-Stars, Crestview Independent, Troy Black Warriors, Eglin Field, Louisville Independent, Rawls Batters, Andalusia National Guard and Nieuwe Blackwaxers, composing the top bracket.

The lower bracket was composed of Elba Circle Arrows, DeFuniak Warriors, Opine Independent, Flomaton Independent, Florida Independent, Eglin Field, and the Carolina Raiders.

Following are the scores of the games the Arrows won to gain the championship: Elba 65, DeFuniak 53; Elba 44, Carolina 39; Elba 53, Eglin Field 48.

All the Elba basketballers played fast, smart basketball and the Arrows showed superiority over their competitors nearly all the way, except in the final contest when the Eglin Field aggregation held a slight lead at the half. However the Arrows came back to win by a comfortable margin.

Jarvis Eiland and Texal Young were voted members of the all-tournament team.

### BTU Mass Meeting In New Brocton

A mass meeting of the Baptist Training Union of Coffee County Association will be held in New Brocton Baptist Church Friday evening, March 24 at 7:30. Eliminations will be held at this meeting for the district championships.

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## Jury Convicts Maund; Date Of Execution Is Set For May 19th

Found Guilty Of First Degree Murder In Whigham Shooting

In what was said to be one of the longest drawn-out murder trials in the history of Coffee County, John Maund was convicted of first degree murder of W. A. Whigham. Following is the account of the trial as given by the Dothan Eagle:

A Circuit Court jury in Enterprise last Saturday night found John Maund, prominent Coffee County farmer, guilty of first degree murder in the killing of a neighbor, and the date of execution was set for May 19.

Maund was charged with slaying W. A. Whigham, an equally prominent neighbor, the night of January 2, during an argument over a land lease. The verdict was announced after seven hours deliberation by the jury. The trial had lasted three days going well into the night Friday.

Under Alabama law, Maund's trial must be reviewed by the State Supreme Court, and an appeal is expected from his attorneys, although they could not be reached for comment.

The state charged that Maund killed Whigham with three shots from a pistol, during an argument in the Whigham yard about 9 p. m. on January 2. The argument was said to have grown from the fact that Maund had acquired a lease on property formerly leased by a third landowner by Whigham.

The two men lived near each other on the Geneva-Enterprise highway and the property over which they argued was in the same vicinity. Whigham's wife, who was called to testify during the trial, said she witnessed the shooting.

Maund was arrested by Sheriff H. D. Tillman on the following day, and charged with the murder. Solicitor Eric Paul of Elba issued a warrant and prosecuted the case.

The case opened Thursday with one of the biggest crowds seen in a Wiregrass courtroom in many years on hand. They hung from windows, overflowed into corridors and jammed stairways in an attempt to hear even a smattering of the testimony.

Chairs were placed in the aisles after available seats were filled. Sheriff Tillman lowered a rope from the jury box down to the courtroom doorway so that Maund's way through the solid mass of humanity, negotiating the improvised "dumb waiter."

Other spectators unable to get into the courtroom on the short corridor at each side of it, spilled over to the ground floor and out on the lawn and streets in front.

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## Rev. R. J. Haskew To Conduct Methodist Revival March 26th

Services To Be Held Twice Daily For Ten Day Period.

We give everyone a cordial invitation to attend all of the services of our church. Our Sunday School meets at 9:45 A. M. each Sunday. Our morning preaching services begin at 11:00 A. M. and our evening services at 7:30 P. M.

We will have a revival in our church beginning the fourth Sunday in the month, March 26. The service will run for ten days. The morning services will be held at 7:00 A. M. and the evening services at 7:30 P. M. Rev. R. J. Haskew, well known minister and evangelist who preached for last March will conduct the services. Our song services, and children and youth services will be led by Rev. Clifford Abbott, Pastor of the Popper Methodist Church at Opelika, Alabama. We are looking forward to a great revival, and we give the public a cordial invitation to take an active part in the services.

—Fred L. Davis, Pastor

Methodists To Build Annex To Church

At a meeting of the Methodist planning board held Sunday afternoon, it was decided to start a building campaign, the actual work to start in a few weeks. The building committee is composed of Messrs. Luther Vaughn, Harold Deal, and Dana B. Perdue. Estimates are being formulated and necessary plans made.

Plans call for a fully equipped kitchen, primary room, assembly room, and two rest rooms on the first floor and four Sunday School rooms on the second floor. According to the estimate, the building fund is not sufficient to complete the annex, but it is thought that the most effective way to stimulate collections will be to start building on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The annex is to be erected at the rear of the church building and is to be 20 x 60 feet. It is considered that the present church plant is inadequate to properly carry on the activities of the church, especially the Sunday School. An active money-raising campaign will be staged as soon as actual construction is started.

Councilman and Mrs. Shelby Morrow announce the birth of a son, seven and three-quarter pound, daughter Sunday night at their home in West Elba. She has been named Rebecca Ilene.

Preaching Notice

Rev. D. L. Paulk will preach at the Pleasant Ridge church on the fourth Sunday in March, 26. All persons are invited to come out on that day and hear him preach.

Noted Colored Preacher Dies

C. P. Larkins, one of the oldest and best known colored preachers in Coffee County, with an outstanding record throughout Alabama, died at his home in Enterprise Feb. 21. He was the first licensed colored preacher in Coffee County. He was a product of the Mulberry District Association, of which he was the second Moderator. He was also the first licensed Negro school teacher in the county and was beloved by hosts of friends, both white and colored. He was 84 years of age.



**Tiny Tot Popularity Contest**  
Winners Will Be Crowned On Stage  
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Hello Girls: ..... Annette Reddoch  
Laverne Perkins ..... Lena Mae Bryant  
Betty Jane Spurlin ..... Jeanette Bullard  
Mary Jo Lowery ..... Dorothy Harper  
Martha Jean Padgett ..... Celia English  
June Kendrick ..... Joan Fuller  
Betty Jo Ham ..... Emma Jean Fuller

Scene II "Homecoming at Boola Boola"

Mr. I Gott Rocks ..... Kermit G. Crook  
Entire Ensemble

Scene III "Santa Claus Land"

Children ..... First, Second, Third and Fourth Grades  
Santa Claus ..... Fred Weed  
Mrs. Santa Claus ..... Mrs. J. O. English  
Santa Claus Junior ..... Rodger Winston  
Walking Dolls ..... Ella Kate Allen  
Yvonne Bryan, Judith Buckner

Raggedy Ann ..... Henriette Dorsey  
Raggedy Andy ..... Malcolm English  
Little Black Sambo ..... Hugh Fellows  
Roy Rodgers ..... Michael Fick

Scene IV "Sweetheart Serenade"

Laverne Perkins ..... Betty Jo Ham  
Betty Jane Spurlin ..... Mary Jo Lowery  
Louise Danford ..... Martha Jean Padgett

Scene V "Take It or Leave It"

Eddie Cantor ..... Melvin Boozor

Scene VI "Eastertide"

Choirs from all the churches

Scene VII "Merry, Merry May Time"

Maids of Honor ..... Peggy Blue and Bettie Head  
Flower Girl ..... Jeanese Paul  
Maypole Girls:

Laverne Perkins ..... Martha Jean Padgett  
Betty Jane Spurlin ..... June Kendrick  
Louise Danford ..... Annette Reddoch  
Emma Jean Fuller ..... Lena Bryant  
Joan Fuller ..... Jeanette Bullard  
Betty Jo Ham ..... Dorothy Harper  
Mary Jo Lowery ..... Celia English

Scene VIII "The Breakfast Club"

WITH DON McNEIL  
Don McNeil ..... Dozier Bryan  
Aunt Fanny ..... Frances Miles  
Patsy Lee ..... Totsie Dismukes  
John Desmond ..... Bryan Turman

Scene IX "Vacation Time"

Laverne Perkins ..... Betty Jo Ham  
Betty Jane Spurlin ..... Mary Jo Lowery  
Louise Danford ..... Martha Jean Padgett

Scene X "Labor Daze"

Fanny, The Farmer's Daughter ..... Fred Weed  
Winnie, The Waitress ..... Robert Doyers  
Tillie, The Tenth Grade Teacher ..... Alex Strickland  
Bessie, The Baby Sitter ..... Curtis Wilkins  
Rosie, Queen Of The Runway ..... Howard Stroud  
Million Dollar Baby ..... Big John Morrow

Scene XI "The Show Boat Minstrels"

Interlocutor ..... Dozier Bryan  
Rufus ..... Roy King  
Rastus ..... Kermit Crook  
Sambo ..... Melvin Boozor  
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WHITEWATER W.M.U. MEETS

The Whitewater W.M.U. met on February 23 at the home of Mrs. Sam Reeves. The meeting was called to order by the vice-president who conducted a short business session.

The devotionals were given by Mrs. Albert Reeves Jr. and was followed by prayer by Mrs. Franklin. The program was taken from Torchbearers and was taught by Mrs. B. S. Franklin. Thirteen members were present.

Miss Mildred White visited friends in Columbus, Ga. last week-end.

**ZION CHAPEL H.D. CLUB**  
The Zion Chapel Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Sidney Stephens on Mar. 8 with 12 members and Miss Matthews present. In the absence of the president the meeting was called to order by the vice-president, Mrs. Joe Deal. Devotional was given by the hostess, Mrs. Stevens. Roll was called and the minutes were read after which a short business session was held.

An interesting lesson on Pattern and Dress design was taught by Miss Matthews. The meeting was adjourned and will meet with Mrs. H. E. Carr in April.

**Married Prince August**  
In 1908 she married the late fourth son of Kaiser Wilhelm II. They had one son, Prince Alexander Ferdinand, but their marriage ended in divorce in 1920. Her second marriage, to former naval commander, Arnold Ruedemann, also ended in divorce a few years later.

"Since then," she said, "I have earned virtually all my own way." Her hobby was painting. So she turned professional turning out pictures by the dozens, both portraits and landscapes. She even sold them herself.

In 1928 she went to the United States and toured most of the 48 states in a trailer, making her way from town to town painting pictures and selling them.

In 1932 she returned to Germany and when the war came, she was living in Berlin. She fled that city during its aerial bombardment, and moved her precious paintings to the rural home of a brother.

Lost Everything  
She didn't move them far enough. The Russians occupied that area. "And I lost everything," she lamented. "Even my little bank ac-

count in Berlin is still blocked so I've had to start all over again."

The princess has lived constantly in her small trailer the last two years, moving from one free parking site to another.

The trailer is only 15 feet long and heated by a tiny stove—when she can afford fuel. She does her own cooking on a little gas burner. It's a bit crowded, with her easel always taking up one end of the trailer and her beloved dog, Falk, sharing the quarters.

But she is still cheerful and making plans for the future.

"I've been just as broke in America," she said. "I've seen the times there when I lived on hot dogs. I'll get back to America one day. All I need is to earn enough money."

**New Device May Aid Deaf To Hear Through Fingers**  
NEW YORK.—A device which its designers believe will enable the deaf to "hear through their fingers" has been described by Prof. Norbert Wiener of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Each finger will receive a different set of vibrations, or frequency bands, tuned to receive the sounds in the range of the human voice, which the deaf person will learn to translate into meaningful patterns.

The vibrations received by the fingers will take the place of the vibrations created by sound frequencies inside the ear.

The present machine, still in a crude state of development, Wiener reported, already has been tested successfully on a number of normal persons whose ears had been stopped up, and on one blind deaf.

**Jap Emperor No Genius In Poetry-Writing Field**  
TOKYO.—Emperor Hirohito may have held the awe of millions of Japanese as a ruler, but he isn't held as any great shakes in the poetry business.

Recently he burst into poetry about something he likes—a habit which he has picked up from a Japanese scientist who had won the Nobel prize for physics.

Translated into English, the poem seemed to lose something, for here's what it said:

"I certainly regard the honors of Dr. Yukawa, who received the award, as the pride of my Japan."

One Japanese critic said—not for publication, of course—that even in Japanese, it wasn't much of a poem.

**Woman 'Comes to Life' While Lying in Coffin**  
PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI.—Doctors are still studying the strange case of a young woman discovered to be alive in her coffin just as she was being borne to the burial grounds.

Medical authorities said the woman, Anita Souffrant, 26, had lost consciousness after a six-month disease. The family decided she was dead and decided to bury her.

On the way to the church, mourners were startled to hear noises coming from Anita's coffin.

They looked inside and found her breathing.

A priest ordered the girl taken to General Hospital at Port-au-Prince. Dr. Paul Domingues, head of the hospital staff, said Anita gained full consciousness three days after her "funeral" and was able to talk intelligently.

He said her illness had been diagnosed as a type of malaria. Her condition now is fair, he said.

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## Pauper Princess Clings to Dream Of Touring U. S.

WEISBADEN, GERMANY.—A penniless German princess, daughter-in-law of Germany's last kaiser, lives in a trailer and makes a meager living by painting pictures.

Princess Alexandra Victoria is so broke that she even has trouble getting enough coal for the tiny stove in her cluttered trailer. She has a gooding ambition—to tour the United States in her trailer—

"Just like I did when I was young," she points out that her dream can be realized just as soon as "I earn enough money."

Although the daughter of a duke and the wife (divorced) of a royal prince, Alexandra has lived an independent, most unroyal life since World War I. She concedes her Bohemian ways have shocked her royal relatives.

"That's one reason I want to go back to America," she says. "There one can do what one likes. Here people are always shocked."

The princess was born in a castle in the north German state of Schleswig-Holstein. She is the daughter of Duke Friedrich Ferdinand of Schleswig-Holstein-Glueckburg.

Married Prince August

In 1908 she married the late fourth son of Kaiser Wilhelm II. They had one son, Prince Alexander Ferdinand, but their marriage ended in divorce in 1920. Her second marriage, to former naval commander, Arnold Ruedemann, also ended in divorce a few years later.

"Since then," she said, "I have earned virtually all my own way."

Her hobby was painting. So she turned professional turning out pictures by the dozens, both portraits and landscapes. She even sold them herself.

In 1928 she went to the United States and toured most of the 48 states in a trailer, making her way from town to town painting pictures and selling them.

In 1932 she returned to Germany and when the war came, she was living in Berlin. She fled that city during its aerial bombardment, and moved her precious paintings to the rural home of a brother.

Lost Everything

She didn't move them far enough. The Russians occupied that area. "And I lost everything," she lamented. "Even my little bank ac-

count in Berlin is still blocked so I've had to start all over again."

The princess has lived constantly in her small trailer the last two years, moving from one free parking site to another.

The trailer is only 15 feet long and heated by a tiny stove—when she can afford fuel. She does her own cooking on a little gas burner. It's a bit crowded, with her easel always taking up one end of the trailer and her beloved dog, Falk, sharing the quarters.

But she is still cheerful and making plans for the future.

"I've been just as broke in America," she said. "I've seen the times there when I lived on hot dogs. I'll get back to America one day. All I need is to earn enough money."

**New Device May Aid Deaf To Hear Through Fingers**  
NEW YORK.—A device which its designers believe will enable the deaf to "hear through their fingers" has been described by Prof. Norbert Wiener of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Each finger will receive a different set of vibrations, or frequency bands, tuned to receive the sounds in the range of the human voice, which the deaf person will learn to translate into meaningful patterns.

The vibrations received by the fingers will take the place of the vibrations created by sound frequencies inside the ear.

The present machine, still in a crude state of development, Wiener reported, already has been tested successfully on a number of normal persons whose ears had been stopped up, and on one blind deaf.

**Jap Emperor No Genius In Poetry-Writing Field**  
TOKYO.—Emperor Hirohito may have held the awe of millions of Japanese as a ruler, but he isn't held as any great shakes in the poetry business.

Recently he burst into poetry about something he likes—a habit which he has picked up from a Japanese scientist who had won the Nobel prize for physics.

Translated into English, the poem seemed to lose something, for here's what it said:

"I certainly regard the honors of Dr. Yukawa, who received the award, as the pride of my Japan."

One Japanese critic said—not for publication, of course—that even in Japanese, it wasn't much of a poem.

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**Evans Begun Working for Pennsylvania in Jersey City as a New Caller.** His job was to ride around on a bicycle calling the train crows together. A year later he was made a fireman, and in 1910 he was promoted to engineer. His route has been the same for the last 40 years—New York to Philadelphia and back.

He estimated that since 1910 he had driven his trains, without an accident more than 1,000,000 miles. Evans expects to "loaf, maybe watch a baseball game now and then, and rest" at home with his wife Anna in Pittman, N. J.

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## Negro Killed After Reign Of Terror In Dothan Saturday

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The Negro was identified as Arthur Collins, 35, of 400 Mon-

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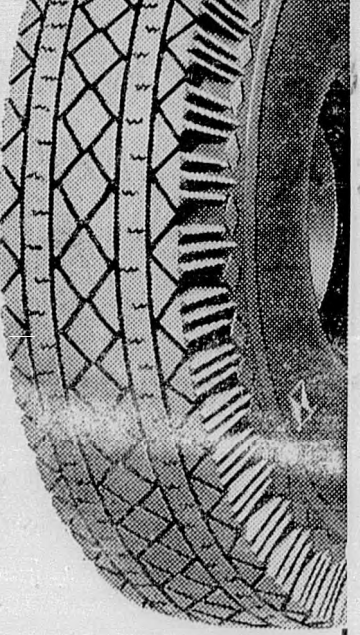
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Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Inman announce the birth of a son, David Reynolds, born in a Greenville hospital March 7th. Mr. and Mrs. Inman, former Elbans, now reside in Evergreen.

In Montgomery's Museum of Fine Arts is a collection of old firearms, some of which were used by General Andrew Jackson's soldiers at New Orleans against the British.

At 1200 Water Avenue in Selma a bronze marker designates the spot where General Lafayette came ashore to visit the city on April 5, 1825.

Soon after the founding of Tuscaloosa many of its leading citizens predicted that it would become Alabama's largest city.

Tuskegee was named for the Indian village where Sequoy, the mother of Alexander McGillivray, the famous Creek leader, was born.

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### Cairo Typist Seeks World Championship As Heaviest Eater

CAIRO. — Mohammed, the "muncher" is out for the world's title. He would like to be the champion eater of the entire hemisphere.

His full name is Mohammed Rind, an Egyptian typist, who is now down to an eating weight of 225 pounds.

In competitive eating, to vie for the world's singles, two-handed eating title, the contestant must include hardboiled eggs. However, they may be shelled first, the rules say.

According to the best information on the subject, the present world record for hardboiled egg consumption is held by an American who put away 60 eggs in 30 minutes.

So far Mohammed's single week-nearer has kept the title. He has eaten 100 eggs in a few days.

He made a title attempt only a few weeks ago. But listen to Rind's sad story.

While I was waiting for the judges to arrive, I went to wash my hands and found a large piece of chocolate in my pocket. One of the judges said it was not to be eaten.

"Believe me, this was the cause of my failure. Also, I ate a large bowl of pea soup before the contest. This was a mistake, too."

Then he said, "Well, one-two-three—" and fired and slumped over.

The buddy about whom Blasko talked, said later that the "poor fellow was lying." That nothing of what he told had ever occurred.

The man's name was Glen Lamphier. He was one of those fine, good-looking, upstanding specimens of young manhood.

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Blasko, 34, was shot in the chest and died at a local hospital.

He was driving a car when it was struck by a train.

Blasko was a veteran of World War II and had been in the service for several years.

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By Richard H. Winkler

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But being a sensible person, she was able to look at the thing squarely, she sought for other means to achieve her end. The end was a man: love, romance.

The other means presented themselves in the form of books, learn how to put yourself across when you weren't particularly attractive.

She read through it with a rapidly increasing pulse. "I really don't see anything romantic in proposing. It is very romantic to have love. But there is nothing romantic about it."

The results were exceedingly gratifying. Even now, at the age of 22, the man of her dreams was practically within her grasp. Give her another month, two at the most, and he would speak the words that would make her happiness and triumph complete.

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